

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims reflects all claim amendments and replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application (material to be inserted is in **bold and underline**, and material to be deleted is in ~~strikeout~~ or (if the deletion is of five or fewer consecutive characters or would be difficult to see) in double brackets [[]]).

1. (currently amended) An absorbent composition[,]**for use in a children's amusement device, the composition consisting essentially of a granular mixture** comprising a superabsorbent polymer, a gum, gelatin and a binder.
2. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the binder includes a film-forming resin.
3. (original) The composition of claim 2, wherein the resin includes a copolymer of vinylpyrrolidine and vinyl acetate.
4. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further includes a colorant.
5. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further includes a plurality of reflective particles.
6. (original) The composition of claim 5, wherein the reflective particles include glitter.
7. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further includes a preservative.

8. (original) The composition of claim 7, wherein the preservative includes preserving agents selected to preserve the composition in a dry and a liquid state.

9. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition has a pH in the range of approximately 7-7.5.

10. (cancelled without prejudice)

11. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the superabsorbent polymer contains no water-extractable material.

12. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the superabsorbent polymer [is substantially comprised]consists essentially of particles in the range of approximately 100 microns and approximately 300 microns in maximum diameter.

13. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the superabsorbent polymer [is substantially comprised]consists essentially of particles in the range of approximately 175 microns and approximately 225 microns in maximum diameter.

14. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the gum is selected to absorb glycols.

15. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the gum [is]includes guar gum.

16. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[1]]2, including superabsorbent polymer, gum, gelatin and film-forming resin in the ranges of percentages by weight listed:

Component	Percentage (wt %)		
superabsorbent polymer	30	to	55
gum	1	to	10
gelatin	20	to	50
film-forming resin	5	to	25

17. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[1]]2, including superabsorbent polymer, gum, gelatin and film-forming resin in the ranges of percentages by weight listed:

Component	Percentage (wt %)		
superabsorbent polymer	35	to	55
gum	1.5	to	10
gelatin	25	to	45
film-forming resin	10	to	20

18. (original) The composition of claim 2, further including glitter, colorant and preservative, wherein the superabsorbent polymer, gum, gelatin, film-forming resin, glitter, colorant and preservative are in the ranges of percentages by weight listed:

Component	Percentage (wt %)		
superabsorbent polymer	15	to	45
gum	0.5	to	5
gelatin	15	to	35
film-forming resin	2	to	20
preservative	0.5	to	15
glitter	5	to	30
colorant	0.01	to	5

19. (original) The composition of claim 2, further including glitter, colorant and preservative, wherein the superabsorbent polymer, gum, gelatin, film-forming resin, glitter, colorant and preservative are in the ranges of percentages by weight listed:

Component	Percentage (wt %)		
superabsorbent polymer	25	to	40
gum	0.5	to	3
gelatin	20	to	30
film-forming resin	5	to	15
preservative	1	to	10
glitter	10	to	25
colorant	0.03	to	1.5

20. (new) The composition of claim 1, wherein all components of the composition are granular.

21. (new) The composition of claim 4, wherein the colorant has a color that is not readily perceivable to a user until a water-based fluid is added to the composition.

22. (new) The composition of claim 5, wherein the plurality of reflective particles are configured to move with other components of the composition when the composition absorbs a volume of water-based fluid.

23. (new) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition further includes a colorant and a plurality of reflective particles.

24. (new) The composition of claim 2, wherein the resin is adapted to adhere the superabsorbent polymer and the gelatin when a volume of water-based fluid is added to the composition.

25. (new) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is reusable and is adapted to absorb a further volume of water-based fluid after an initial volume of water-based fluid has evaporated.

26. (new) A kit including a plurality of absorptive compositions for use in a children's amusement device, each composition consisting essentially of a granular mixture comprising a superabsorbent polymer, a gum, gelatin, a binder, and a colorant that has a color, and further wherein the colorant of each composition has a different color.

27. (new) The kit of claim 26, wherein the colorant of at least one of the plurality of compositions has a color that is not readily perceivable to a user until a water-based fluid is added to the composition.

28. (new) The kit of claim 26, wherein at least one of the plurality of compositions further includes a plurality of reflective particles.